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LINING FOR AN ENGINE COMPARTMENT
OF A MOTOR VEHICLE

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Sir:

The present Amendment is made in response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2002.

Reconsideration of the above-captioned application (Application) is respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks:

In the Claims

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows:

1. A heat-insulating and soundproofing lining for attachment to a surface in an engine compartment of a motor vehicle, comprising:

a first covering layer adapted for exposure to an engine compartment thermal environment;

a duroplastic foam layer in planar contact with the first covering layer, wherein the duroplastic foam layer has a long-term thermal loadability at 200°C of three weeks;

a soundproofing layer in planar contact with the duroplastic foam layer, wherein the soundproofing layer is selected from the group consisting of plastic foam, particle composite